

July 27, 2018

**AFFIDAVIT OF
JAMES M.
MCDANIEL**

1. I, James M. McDaniel, am employed by the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”) as a Program Manager, in the ORS’s Telecommunications Department.
2. My office is located at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.
3. My duties and responsibilities as the Program Manager include enforcement of the Commission Regulations, Orders, and Directives. Additionally, I review tariff revisions and initially proposed tariffs, determine compliance with Commission requirements and statutory requirements as well as Applications filed by new telephone utilities. Also, I am involved in the daily operations and management of the South Carolina Universal Service Fund.

4. It is the regular business practice of ORS to enforce relevant statutes and regulations for telephone utilities constructing network facilities and/or providing telecommunications service for hire to consumers in South Carolina.
5. Because of my duties and responsibilities, I have knowledge of the required filings of telephone reports and assessments or fees required to be submitted to or collected on behalf of the Office of Regulatory Staff.
6. On or around March 13, 2018 I examined the Department of Revenue ("DOR") Outstanding Receivables Report which was provided to ORS on or about March 1, 2018. The DOR Outstanding Receivables reports are provided to ORS by DOR monthly as a means of providing ORS with a list of those regulated telecommunications carriers which are delinquent in their payment of Annual Gross Receipts Assessment owed under the provisions of S.C. Code Ann. §58-3-100 (2015). The Outstanding Receivables Report contains a year by year list of those telecommunications carriers which have outstanding gross receipts assessments and the amount of such unpaid assessments.
7. Because of that examination, I attest that to ORS' knowledge the DOR Outstanding Receivables Report accurately lists those telecommunications carriers which have failed to comply with the provisions of S.C. Code Ann. §§ 58-3-100, 58-3-540, 58-4-60 and 58-9-370 (2015), in that they have failed to pay their Annual Gross Receipts Assessment(s) as of April 1, 2018. In addition, I attest that other carriers have failed to file Annual Reports, Gross Receipts Reports, and/or USF Worksheets. Exhibit A attached hereto lists the non-compliant telephone utilities carriers and was prepared by me from the information provided in the DOR Outstanding Receivables Report and other information maintained in the offices of the ORS available to me to determine whether telecommunications carriers have submitted Commission required reports.

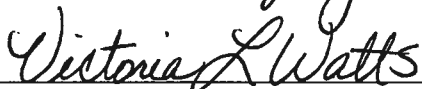
8. I attest that to the best of my knowledge, the list of delinquent carriers and unpaid assessments provided ORS by DOR and the other information listed in Exhibit A are accurate.

AND FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.



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Sworn and subscribed before me
this 27th day of July, 20 18



Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: 10/16/23